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RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 501X)
CSX Transportation Inc.- Abandonment Exemption-in Lucas County, OH

Dear Ms. Brown:

On July 2, 2010, the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board") served a Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment (the "NITU") in the above-entitled proceeding for the approximately 2.07 miles of rail line on CSX Transportation, Inc.'s ("CSXT") Northern Region, Chicago Division, Toledo Terminal Subdivision, between milepost CO-14.31 at River Road in Lucas County, Ohio and milepost CO-16.38 at Bates Road in Wood County, Ohio.¹ CSXT and Metroparks of the Toledo Area ("Metroparks") were authorized to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking over the line until December 29, 2010. By subsequent decisions served, February 16, 2011 and June 24, 2011, the negotiation period was extended to June 30, 2011, and December 27, 2011, respectively.

Metroparks requests that the Board vacate its NITU for the 0.27-mile segment between milepost CO-14.32 and milepost CO-14.59, a distance of 0.27 miles. Concurrent with this filing, the Wood County Port Authority has submitted a request for a NITU use for the 0.27-mile segment. Metroparks supports Wood County Port Authority's request.

Metroparks is a local governmental entity and therefore requests waiver of the filing fee, if any, for this request under 49 C.F.R. 1102.2(e)(1). Metroparks is e-filing this letter.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call Tim Schetter of our staff at (419) 461-0501 or email him at tim.schetter@metroparkstolcdo.com.

Sincerely yours,

Catherine Marinelli
Catherine Marinelli
Interim Director
Metroparks of the Toledo Area

Cc: CSX Transportation, Inc.
Wood County Port Authority

¹ The end point was corrected from milepost CO-16.46 to milepost CO-16.38 in CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment Exemption—in Lucas and Wood Counties, Ohio, Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 501X) (STB served June 24, 2011).